

This Week's Motto:

When it comes to doing for others, too many stop at nothing.

Threat to Our Beaches

Efforts of two Downey men to obtain permission of the State Lands Division to begin exploratory dredging off the Torrance and Palos Verdes Estates coastlines pose a serious threat to the recreational use of the beach areas according to worried public officials of Torrance and adjacent cities.

A more serious note has been voiced by Palos Verdes Estates officials who fear the off-shore mining could upset the delicate coastline balance and precipitate landslides in the Peninsula area.

The fears expressed by public officials are shared by the HERALD.

Very little of the area's natural attractions can compare to the popular beaches and recreational sites offered by the ocean at the city's doorstep. Any proposal which would lessen the value of these areas to the public must be opposed vigorously by residents throughout the Torrance-Peninsula area, and by beach lovers throughout the Southwest.

On behalf of the area's residents, the HERALD charges the State Lands Commission to be doubly cautious of the current requests. Any threat to the Torrance-Palos Verdes shoreline will not be acceptable.

Opinions of Others

"Every governmental official or board that handles public money should publish at regular intervals an accounting of it, showing where and how each dollar was spent. We hold this to be a fundamental principle of democratic government." — Robert O. Gauger, Whitehall (Wisc.) Times.

"My sincere apologies to Mrs. Earl Boyd for not including the fact that she has returned home from Florida along with her husband. I understand folks have been asking Earl where he left her." — Pearl S. Adams, Groton (N. Y.) Journal and Courier.

"The United States for over 150 years has demonstrated the worth of the private enterprise system. The main hope for world peace lies in strengthening this system." — Ned H. Williams, Winkler County (Tex.) News.

"One of the burning needs of the time is to turn back to state and local government the rights, responsibilities and obligations which belong to state and local government. We'd save barrels of tax money. And beyond that we'd make huge savings in the precious coin of character and principle." — D. Burton Rapp, Willacy County (Tex.) News.

Out of the Past

From the Files of the HERALD

30 Years Ago

The opening gun in the local campaign, to be held in conjunction with similar drives throughout other cities in the Metropolitan Water District, was fired Monday by Mayor John Dennis at Kiwanis club to acquaint the people of Torrance with the necessity of approving the proposed bonds for the construction of the great Metropolitan aqueduct.

Dennis said that a bond election, called by the directors of the district, would be held early in September. Engineers for the district comprising 15 cities in Southern California are expected to complete their plans for the

huge waterway within the next ten days.

An invitation was received this week by the HERALD to participate in an "All Nations Press Exhibit" which is being held this next year in the far away country of Georgia, a republic that is part of the United States Republic. Georgia is located between Armenia and at the foot of the Caucasus mountains which lie between the Caspian and Black Seas.

Under a perfect lighting system augmented by a full moon, the largest crowd ever to witness a baseball game in Torrance watched the Torrance Red Jackets scuttle the

Fortunately, It Didn't Happen This Way



Feds Seek Shorelines; Why Not Hyannisport?

By James Dorais
At the tip of Point Reyes in Marin County, the Federal government owns a lighthouse and surrounding acreage. At certain hours of the day, the area is open to the public, and if you drive there in the month of April you will be rewarded by the spectacular sight of a dazzling carpet of wildflowers—iris and lupine and a hundred others—and the crashing of surf on two cliff sides far below.

But if you stray from the road to get a better look (and there are no signs saying you can't) you will be summarily ordered back by an irate federal employee.

The Point is a tiny part of a 53,000-acre peninsula, all of which the federal government proposes to acquire for a national park. Some opposition has developed to the proposal,

chiefly on the grounds that it would take one-sixth of the area of Marin County off the tax rolls, that it would destroy a prosperous dairy industry, and that much of the area normally is too foggy and windswept to be enjoyed for recreational purposes.

The Marin County Board of Supervisors has recommended that the size of the park be reduced to 20,000 acres.

Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall, who recently viewed the peninsula by helicopter on a gorgeous spring day, declared it would be tragic to reduce the area of the proposed park. It was reported, however, that when the Secretary's helicopter approached the fogged-in northern area of the peninsula, the trip was cut short.

The park's proponents contend that the area—so close to metropolitan San Francisco—should be preserved from the possibility of subdivision, particularly the shoreline. One seaside subdivision already is in existence. An owner of a lot in this subdivision, who plans soon to build a summer home, asks (and he is a good Democrat, too): "If the federal government is going to take all the shoreline areas from private owners, why not start with Hyannisport?"

An interesting new slant in the controversy was introduced last week by State Senator John F. McCarthy who proposes that the federal government turn over to the state approximately 4000 acres of land much closer to San Francisco for development of beaches, parks and marinas. Formerly used for military installations, much of this area, on the northern side of the Golden Gate, is now idle but closed to the public.

Senator McCarthy points out that these lands are "closer to the center of population (than Point Reyes) and would not cost the taxpayers a single dime."

Another surplus seaside

Law in Action

Clergy and Law

Clergymen have many privileges under our law. Going back for centuries, some of them guarantee religious freedom, others encourage a worthy vocation.

Long ago at early common law the clergy had many privileges. For, as they said "to disturb the preacher is to disturb God."

Some of these privileges still exist:

1. If a clergyman learns things during a confession, he may keep them secret. No

court can force him to talk about them.

2. Clergy do not have to serve in the military nor do jury duty.

3. The clergy may convey ideas from the pulpit, and they may also take people to task. Statements that might be slanderous for others to say may be privileged, unless prompted by malice. Courts often say that the church must speak out on many things.

4. A clergyman often counsels troubled family members and, as a rule, has broad

AFTER HOURS By John Morley

Perils of Peace Corps Told by Correspondent

"The safety of the citizen ... is the highest law of the nation." —Burke

KANSAS CITY—It appears to us that some kind of "Peace Corps" is needed first right here at home to assist the dark-skinned officials and visitors to the United States who are shunned and insulted because of color prejudice.

And perhaps another "Peace Corps" could be sent to Alabama, Mississippi and points south to help improve the atmosphere right in our own back yard. These "Peace Corps" should receive the first priority before we even begin thinking of sending them to Africa.

This is just a sidelight to our comments on the "Peace Corps" proposed by the New Frontier.

In our opinion, the Peace Corps is fraught with dangers and heartache to equal the debauchery of the year 1212 when a group of naive idealists led by thousands of youngsters from Europe on a march to free the Holy Land from the infidels. By the time the crusade was over, more than 40,000 youngsters were butchered and tortured upon the altar of human stupidity.

We, of course, don't expect an American march into Africa of such proportions or such stupidity, nor do we expect our "Peace Corpsters" to be debauched and deboweled by murdering infidels ... but the whole idea is preposterous on practical grounds — a political stunt with the potential of tragedy and ill-will for America.

In our lectures around US colleges we find the "Peace Corps" quite popular among educators and students. This is understandable. Most educators are internationalists and theorists — and most

students love travel and adventure, especially when they are free.

The students have been exposed to a lot of folders of tropical paradises, romantic vistas of palm laden beaches and short skirted native beauties strutting on ukuleles. Director R. Sargent Shriver and recruiter Thomas Quimby have not encouraged this image, but students will be students, and there is no denying them the romantic illusion of the African tropical moon.

The worst peril of the Peace Corps is the inability of Americans to survive the disease-infested areas of Africa and Latin America. The corpsmen will be going to the interior where sanitation facilities, contaminated water, disease carrying insects have destroyed many westerners unaccustomed to such perils.

The body chemistry of a typical American is geared to pasteurized milk, government inspected meat and food, sterilized containers, pure water, under the most stringent sanitation requirements in the world. Even US diplomats who live in the more habitable cities, with access to US commissary food and supplies, are constant victims of the rages of tropical disease.

Then there is the peril of the strenuous life to which few Africans are accustomed. Most of our college students sit to fro and even across the campus in cars. Mow the lawn is about the most strenuous work on their agenda. The norm for walking seldom exceeds the distance from the parking lot to the stadium.

This is the way Americans are. Working with natives in back-breaking labor in jungles, fields, hills, carrying cement, rock, plaster, is just

not in the make-up of the average college student.

There are a few football tackles who probably can take the physical strain; but even so, football is child's play when compared to hauling rocks in the tropical heat and humidity.

There are other pitfalls, such as homesickness, loneliness, discouragement, maladjustment, prejudices, misunderstandings, the inevitable human habit of seeking one's own kind, the danger of the corpsmen confining to themselves, their preference for American foods rather than native ones and the resentment this will create, the clothes and material goods the Americans will bring with them to make life as close to home as possible.

Will the natives accept our luxuries without resentment? Or do we intend to insist that our corpsmen dress, eat and exist like illiterate natives?

The gap between the Congo and Kalamazoo is indeed wide. Exposure of our wealth and standard of life — the gap between poverty and plenty — is enough to create just the opposite effect than intended.

The US is not wealthy enough to relieve the distress of the unfortunate world we're talking about. To start a program and then drop it would be worse. To expose ourselves and our culture and then remove it would prove disastrous.

It occurred to us how much more simply and more effectively the whole idea can be carried out by giving an outright grant to \$50 million to all the missionaries of the world who can enlarge their forces with the kind of dedication they alone possess, with a far better chance for success than the politically odoriferous idea of the "Peace Corps."

During This Week

By Estey I. Reed
July 2, 1917 — America's initial printed catalogue for a book auction appeared. The auction was held at 3 p.m., the same day, at the Brown Coffee House, Boston. The catalogue described the books to be sold.

July 3, 1754 — The first battle participated in by American Colonials without seasoned British troops as allies took place at Fort Necessity, nine miles east of Uniontown, Pa. Washington was American commander, but was defeated due to lack of supplies.

July 4, 1872 — Calvin Coolidge, future 30th U. S. President, was born at Plymouth, Vt. Coolidge was the second farmer's son since Lincoln to become president, the other being James Abram Garfield.

July 5, 1841 — Thomas Cook set up headquarters in Leicester, England, thus launching the travel bureau enterprise that became Cook's Tours.

July 6, 1706 — Augustin Calmet, French explanatory-historical author, left Alsace for Paris to publish his Bible commentary. It became a reference guide in numerous theological schools throughout the world, and still serves as such.

July 7, 1706 — The initial U. S. wartime conscription bill was passed. Men 20 to 45 were registered. Draft exemptions could be bought for \$300.

July 8, 1524 — Giovanni da Verrazano, sometimes called John, Italian explorer employed by France, wrote to France's King Francis I, recording America's first kidnapping, while chronicling his discoveries. An Indian baby from the Narragansett area was taken to France.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1-27th President
- 4-Torrid
- 8-Confound
- 12-Mixture
- 13-Anglo
- 14-Saxon money
- 14-Mountains of Europe
- 15-Cooked slowly
- 17-Corners
- 19-Painful spots
- 20-Eve
- 21-Steady, rugged rock
- 23-Scaped
- 24-Man's nickname
- 26-Wild sheep of India
- 28-Mistaken
- 31-Symbol for tellurium
- 37-Dawn goddess
- 38-Three-toed sloth
- 34-Urge on
- 36-Tenderness
- 38-The artist
- 39-South African legislature
- 41-Classify
- 43-Mischiefous act
- 43-Signs
- 44-Cooking device
- 50-Minor item
- 51-Curved molding
- 52-Time gone by
- 54-Sylvan volcano
- 65-Girl's nickname
- 56-Tiny
- 57-Title of respect

DOWN

- 1-Hurl
- 2-Singing voice
- 3-Furious
- 4-Fall structure
- 5-Brick-carrying device
- 6-Conjunction
- 7-Chinese pagoda
- 8-King of birds
- 9-Refined
- 10-Buried
- 11-Actual being
- 16-Brother of Jacob
- 18-Girl's nickname
- 22-Avance
- 23-Clothes without food
- 24-Devooured
- 25-Supplanted
- 27-Electrified particle
- 29-Hastened
- 30-Inlet
- 35-Classifies
- 36-Cook in oven
- 37-Indefinite amount
- 43-Layers
- 44-Rant
- 46-Benevolent
- 47-Kill
- 48-Uncooked
- 48-Badgerlike animal
- 53-Female deer
- 53-Earth goddess

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LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By FRED NEHER



'I'm sure Polly's expecting you ... She's been filling the refrigerator all day!'